

# REVIEW OF THE SAFETY CONCEPT: PRE-TDR ROADMAP

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- **Safety concept – recap**
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# FCC Feasibility Study – Safety concept

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## Chapter 9

### FCC safety concepts

#### 9.1 Introduction

This chapter outlines the safety concept for FCC. Given the intricate nature of particle accelerators, which involve high-energy beams, radio frequency cavities, cryogenic systems, and sophisticated electromagnetic equipment, a comprehensive safety strategy is essential to ensure operational integrity.

Key safety considerations include identifying the scope of the concept, its objectives, as well as the underlying impact of domains such as deep underground siting, radiation protection, structural integrity, fire and oxygen deficiency, and emergency response protocols. Integrating safety measures into the FCC design has an impact on the layout of the facilities. This chapter underlines the specific strategies and technologies employed, demonstrating our commitment to creating a safe and efficient research environment.

#### 9.1.1 Safety considerations

The geographical distribution of surface sites and the time required to reach each site by road, the challenges linked to the underground working conditions, and the diverse composition of technical equipment at surface sites require the systematic development of an integrated safety concept.

The results presented in this chapter are based on work that assumes the *baseline* layout and parameters outlined in this report. If future phases of the study introduce deviations from the *baseline*, their impact on the safety concept will have to be assessed. Certain safety systems form the foundation of the safety concept; therefore, any modifications to these systems may necessitate the development of an entirely new safety concept (see Section 9.3.4).

#### 9.2 Safety goals & objectives

##### 9.2.1 Regulatory framework

CERN, an intergovernmental organisation established under international law by its Convention (1 July 1953, amended 16 June 1972), is headquartered in Geneva and operates across the Franco-Swiss border.

Under its regulatory framework, CERN establishes safety rules as necessary for its functioning. The CERN Safety Policy [421] defines the overarching principles governing safety at CERN and is complemented by CERN-specific rules tailored to its operational needs. Where specific rules are not established, national laws apply within their respective territories. This framework ensures that the rules are uniform throughout the site and adapted to the specific (particularly technical) requirements of the organisation.

CERN collaborates with the Host States under domain-specific treaties and tripartite agreements, e.g., in efforts to minimise environmental impact and uphold best practices in radiation protection. While the Host States facilitate its operations, CERN remains committed to limiting its impact on their territories and ensuring its activities do not compromise their security.

This regulatory framework reflects the current perspective and serves as the foundation for developing this safety concept.

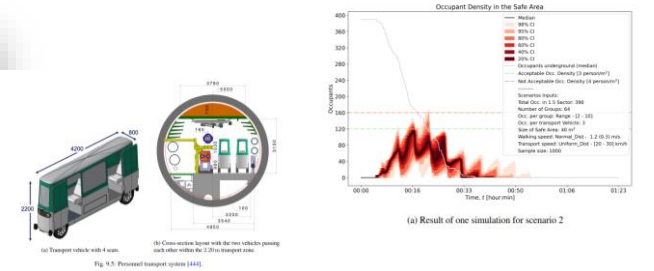


Fig. 9.5: Personnel transport system [445].

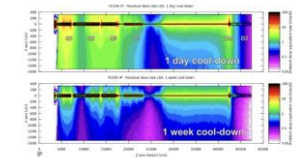


Fig. 9.9: Results showing residual dose rate at FCC AB IP straight sections after an irradiation of 25 years, with an average collision rate of  $5.4 \cdot 10^{17}$  plus  $(10 \cdot y) + 3.2 \cdot 10^{16}$  p/pb (15%) Acceptable positions for the connection of the bypass tunnel are at  $\sim 200$  m and at  $\sim 450$ -500 m.

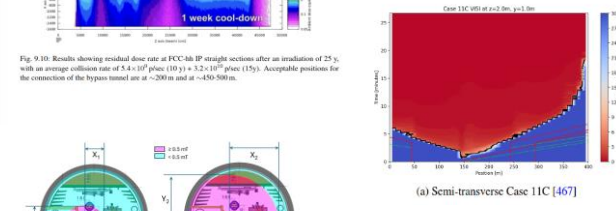
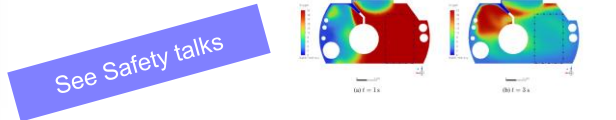


Fig. 9.10: Simulation of stray field envelopes at 0.5 nT for the FCC-ee collider arc: a)  $(1070, 980)$  mm; b) Quadrupole:  $(X_0, Y_0) = (2000, 2720)$  mm

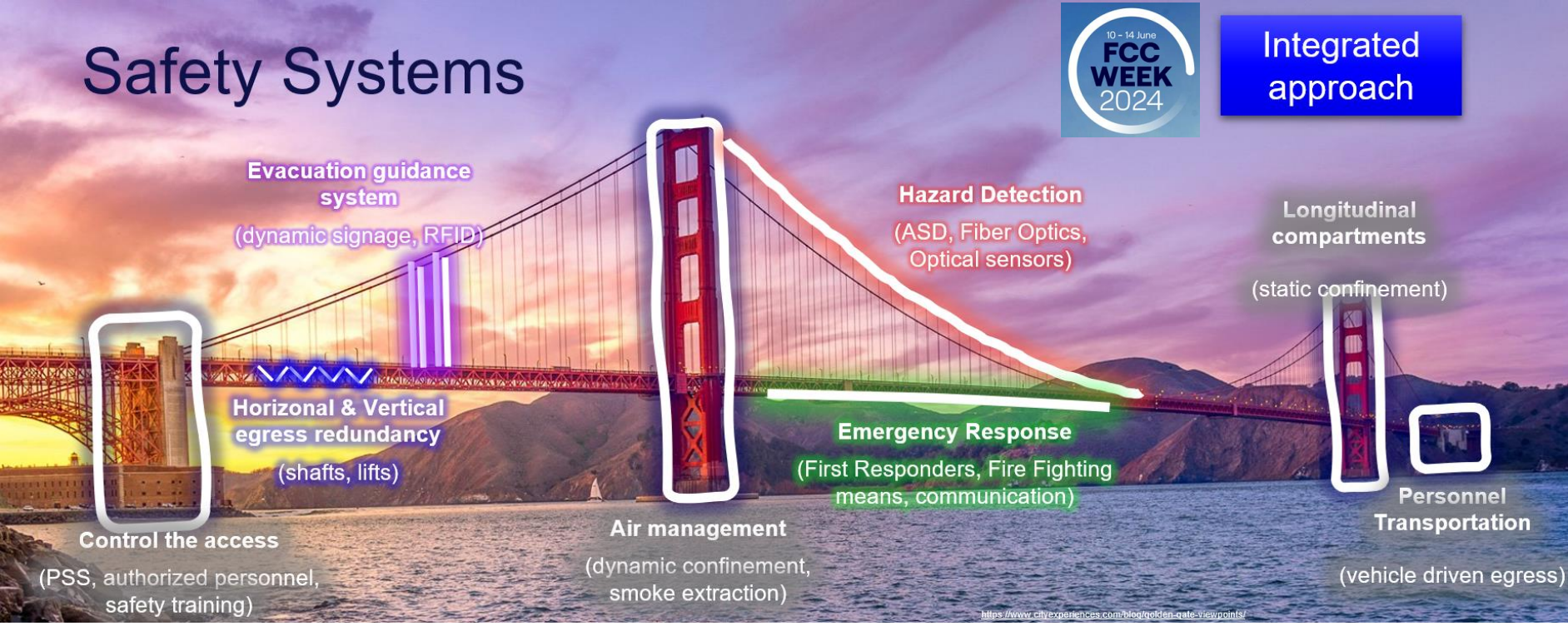


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## Safety Systems

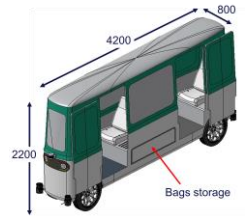
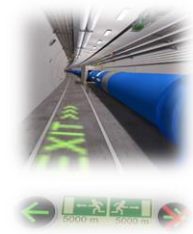
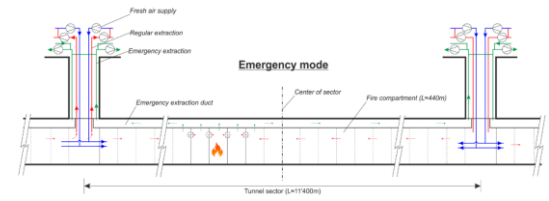
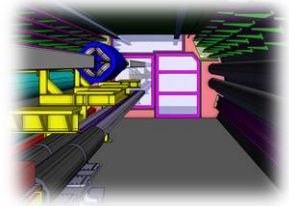
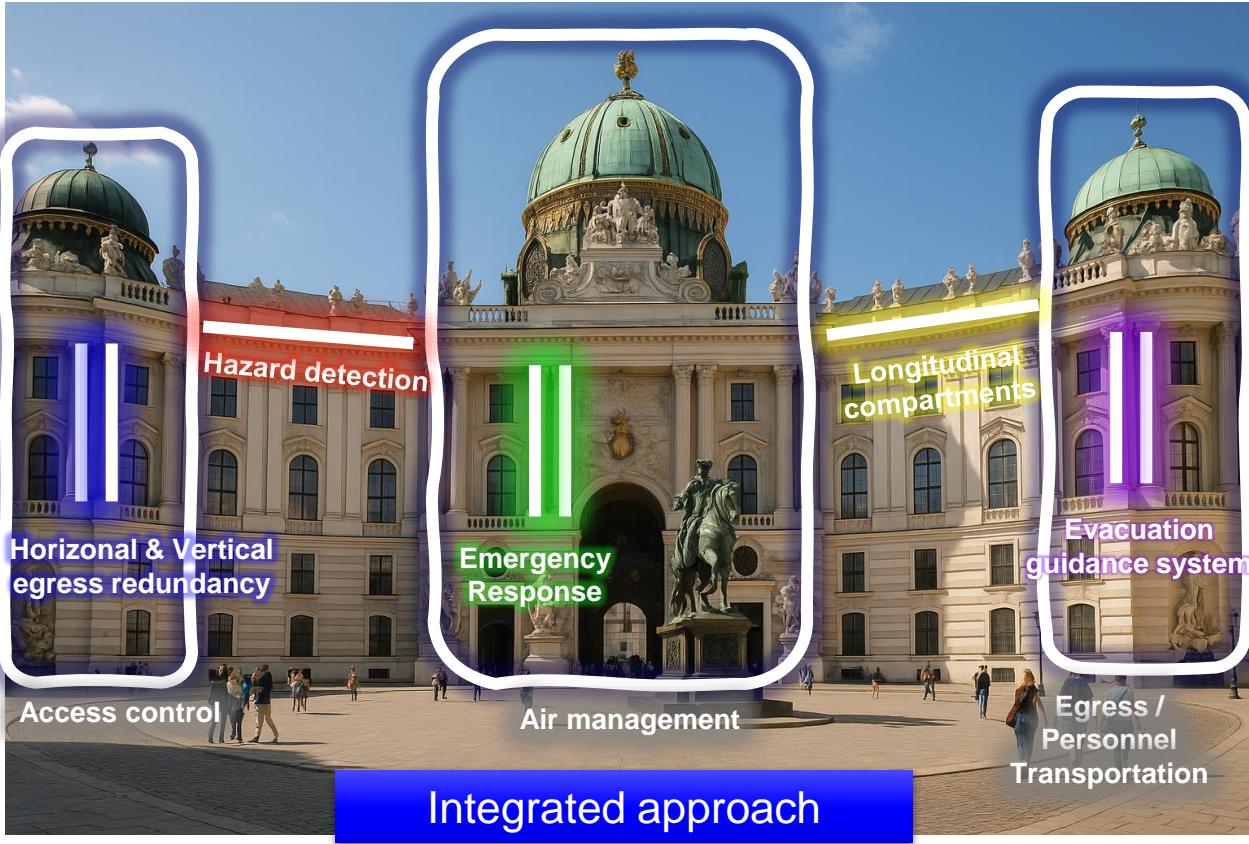


**Integrated approach**



<https://www.cityexperiences.com/blog/golden-gate-view-points/>

# Safety Concept - recap



# Review of the Safety Concept – Internal



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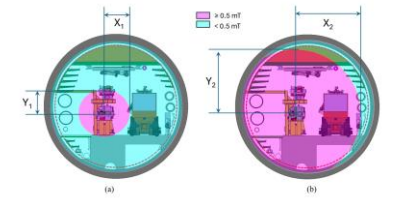
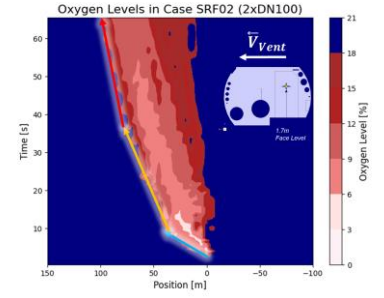
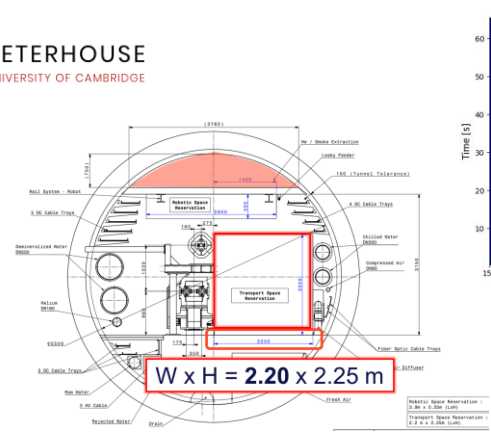
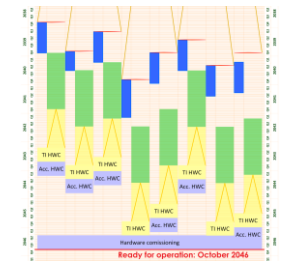
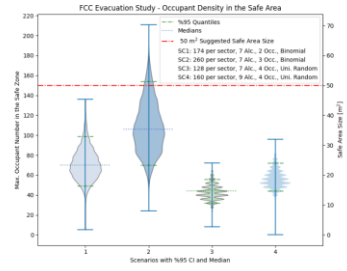


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External review

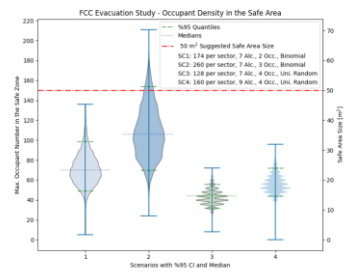
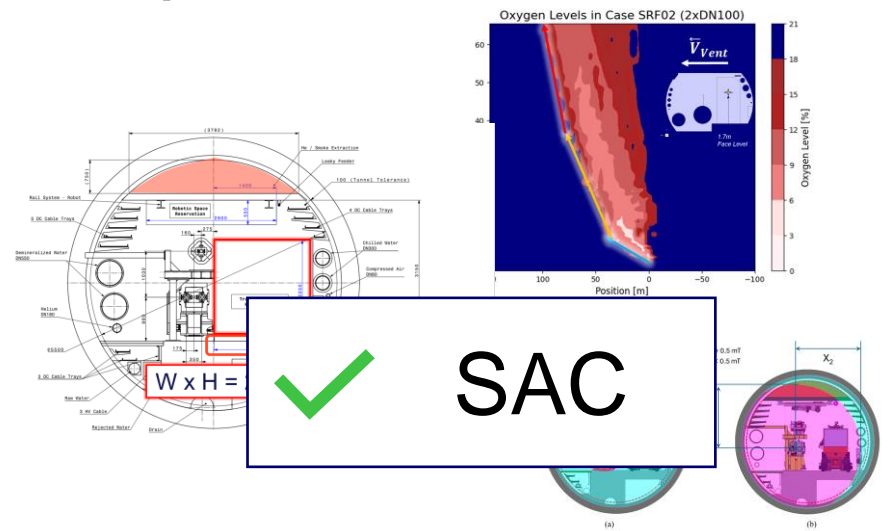
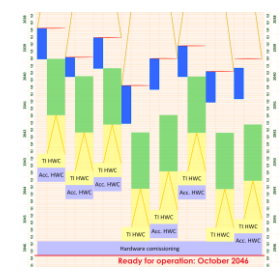


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- Obj #2: **Identify improvements**



# Review of the Safety Concept – HSE UK



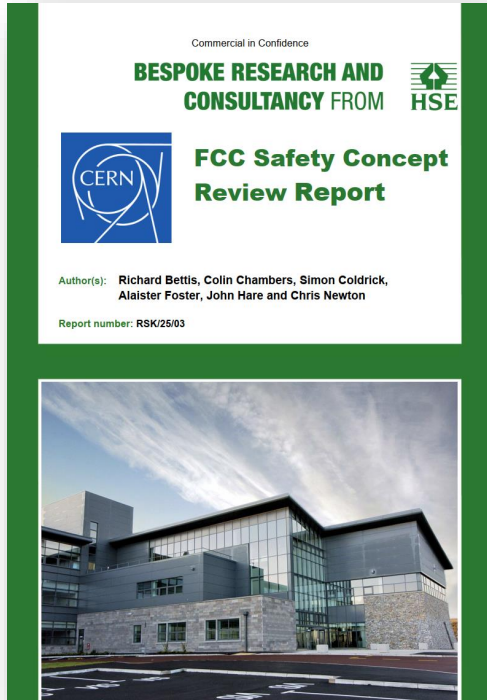
Britain's statutory regulator of occupational health and safety

<https://www.hse.gov.uk/guidance/topics.htm>

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# Review – UK HSE

Review of all safety domains, except Radiation Protection



<https://edms.cern.ch/document/3296700/1>

## Objective #1

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BESPOKE RESEARCH AND CONSULTANCY FROM HSE

### 1.3 Key Findings

HSE's evaluation finds no fundamental barriers in CERN's safety report at this stage.

This conclusion is stated with the following caveat:

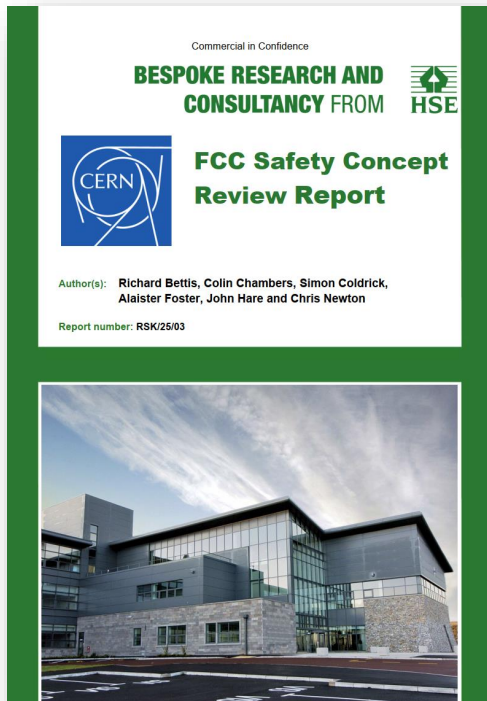
That the identified safety areas and processes that require further refinement are resolved adequately.

Objective #2

### Conclusions:

Following HSE's (UK) assessment of the CERN Future Circular Collider (FCC) concept safety case, HSE (UK) have identified several areas that require further refinement to address potential concerns. CERN's responses [2] reflect a commitment to resolving these issues. CERN have indicated that certain matters have been or will be addressed and as such HSE's evaluation finds **no fundamental barriers in the concept safety report at this stage.** However, this determination is subject to the consideration of HSE's comments and recommendations.

# Review – UK HSE



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## ➤ Objective #2 - TODOs

- Enhanced **risk assessments** and scenario modelling:  
- *“What if” scenarios*
- **Fire / ODH** and **ventilation** interaction studies
- Expand **evacuation plan / studies**
- **Single point failure** mitigation in electrical **secure power network**
- Impact on **design changes** and technology updates

pre-TDR tasks

# Safety WP – pre-TDR

See Safety talks  
“What if” scenarios



Failure of Compartment Doors

Door closed during evacuation

Delayed Fire Detection

Lift Failure

Smoke Extraction Failure

Evacuation Alarm Failure

Failure in MV Network

Definition of MCI for SRF

Power Loss

Autonomous Vehicle Malfunction

Vehicle Fire in Alcoves

Seismic hazard

Blocked Escape Routes During Installation phase

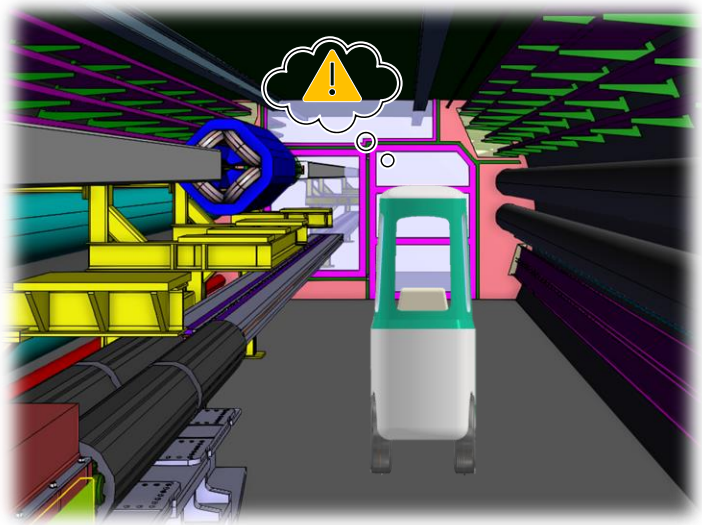
Panic / victims

First task: HAZOP / HAZIDs for all safety domain

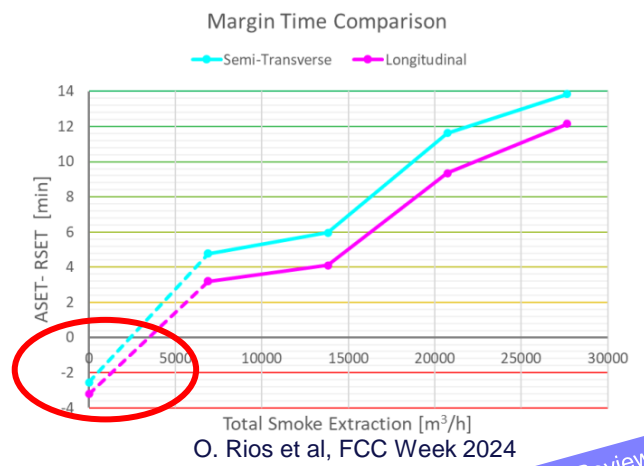
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➤ “What if” scenarios - examples

Door closed during evacuation



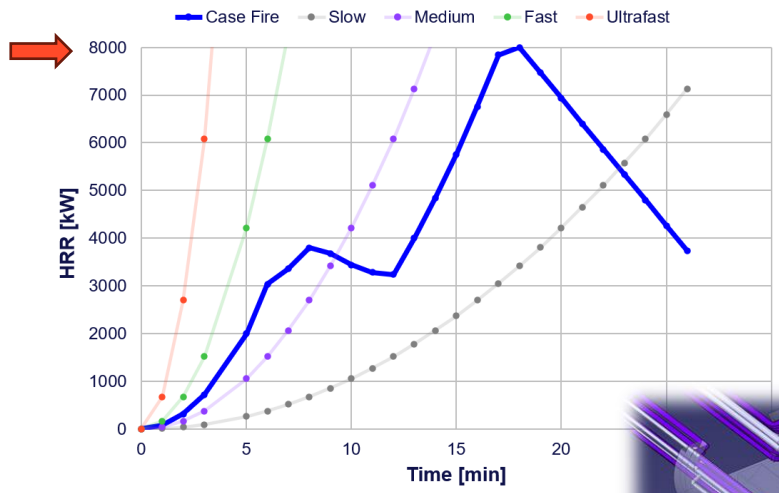
Smoke Extraction Failure



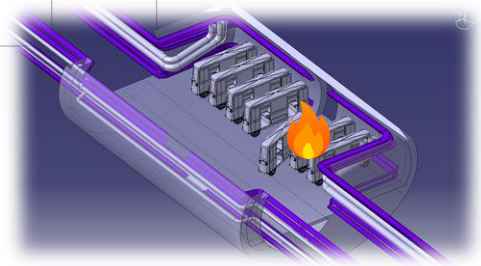
See “Reviewed fire safety concept and future studies”, O. Rios

# Safety WP – pre-TDR

## ➤ Fire / ODH and ventilation interaction studies



O. Rios et al, FCC Week 2024

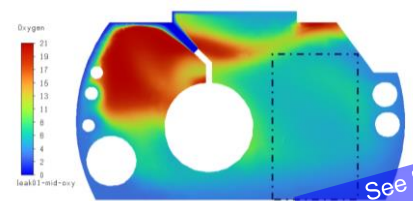


D. Lafarge et al.

Table 8.11: Airflow conditions for the tunnel ventilation.

	Air Supply	Regular Extraction	Emergency Extraction
Run and Access mode	2×27 000 m <sup>3</sup> /h per sector.	2×27 000 m <sup>3</sup> /h per sector.	Standby under pressure operation, no extraction.
Flushing mode	100 000 m <sup>3</sup> /h per sector.	100 000 m <sup>3</sup> /h per sector.	Standby under pressure operation, no extraction.
Emergency conditions	10 000 m <sup>3</sup> /h in affected compartments (max. 2). 3500 m <sup>3</sup> /h in adjacent compartments (max. 2). 2160 m <sup>3</sup> /h in the rest of the compartments.	Max. 54 000 m <sup>3</sup> /h Sharing between the two shafts depends on affected compartment location.	10 000 m <sup>3</sup> /h in affected compartments (max. 2). 3500 m <sup>3</sup> /h in adjacent compartments (max. 2).

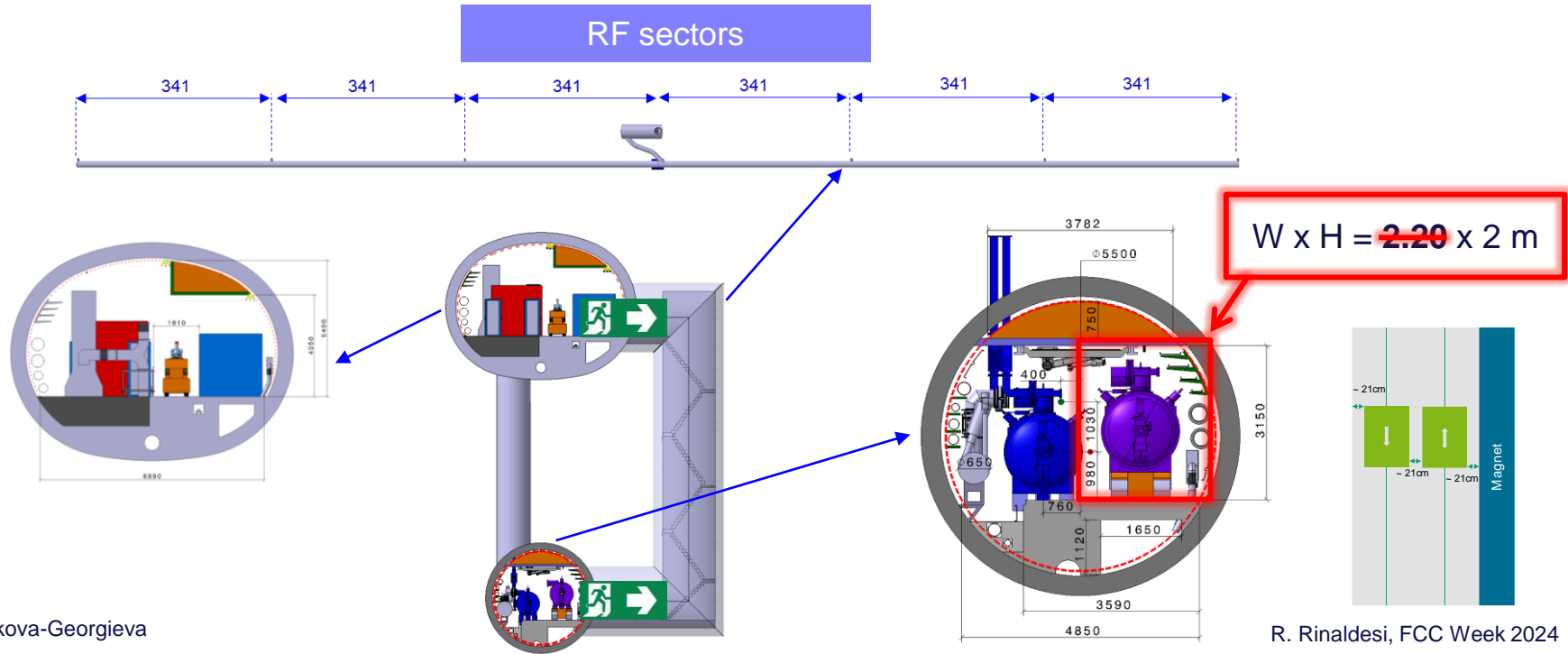
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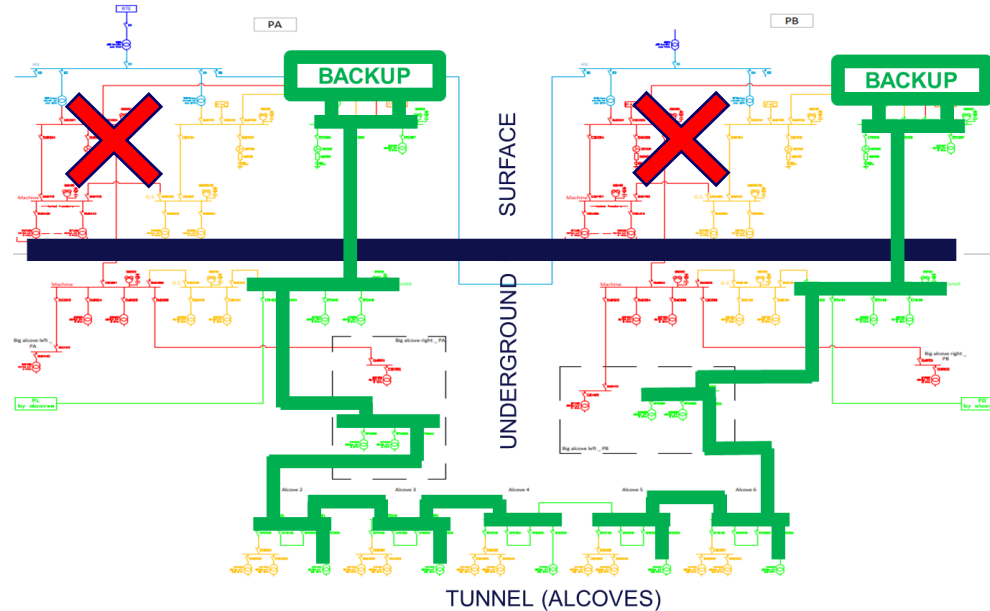
➤ Expand **evacuation** plan / studies



# Safety WP – pre-TDR

## ➤ Single point failure mitigation in electrical secure power network

- Secured and uninterruptible network distribution in the tunnel in MV
- Use the same link (20 kV) for general services AND safety systems
- Load shedding logic in case of power outage - risk assessment required
- Power unavailability: 10-30 s



MV line, cables and equipment (switches, etc) in tunnel = **safety standards**

# Safety WP – pre-TDR

## ➤ Seismic hazard assessment

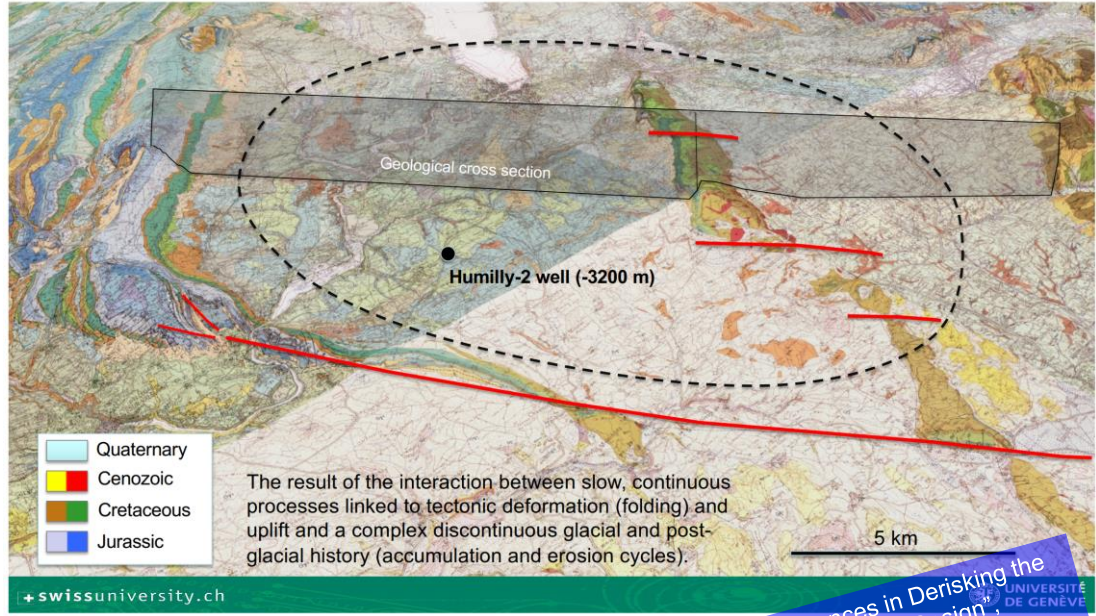
PROJECT MANAGEMENT DOCUMENT

**Seismic Hazard Definition for the Future Circular Collider (FCC) Underground Facilities**

**PROJECT PROPOSAL**

ABSTRACT:

In order to provide suitable seismic safety requirements for the design of the structures, equipment and installations foreseen in the underground facilities of the proposed Future Circular Collider (FCC), HSE Unit needs to define a tailor-made seismic hazard at the concerned soil depths. To do so, a collaboration with the Swiss Seismological Service (SED), hosted by the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology of Zurich (ETH), will be established. So far, an unsuitable approach based on the adaptation of the legal seismic safety requirements for ordinary surface buildings on the sole French territory was used to design and assess mechanical structures and equipment in the Large Hadron Collider (LHC) and Super Proton Synchrotron (SPS) complexes, with results that the structural elements could be over- or under-sized to resist to the earthquake loads. This document summarizes the present status of the approach used to design equipment and structures in underground infrastructures at CERN and draws a project-oriented approach to improve the situation by running a seismic hazard study tailor-made for the proposed FCC as well as for the existing LHC facilities. The proposed 3-year project is intended as part of a wider framework. The study illustrated in this document focuses on data collection and the definition of design parameters for strong motion of typical engineering interest; the analysis of weak ground motion and ambient vibration propagation is demanded to a follow-up 3-year project.



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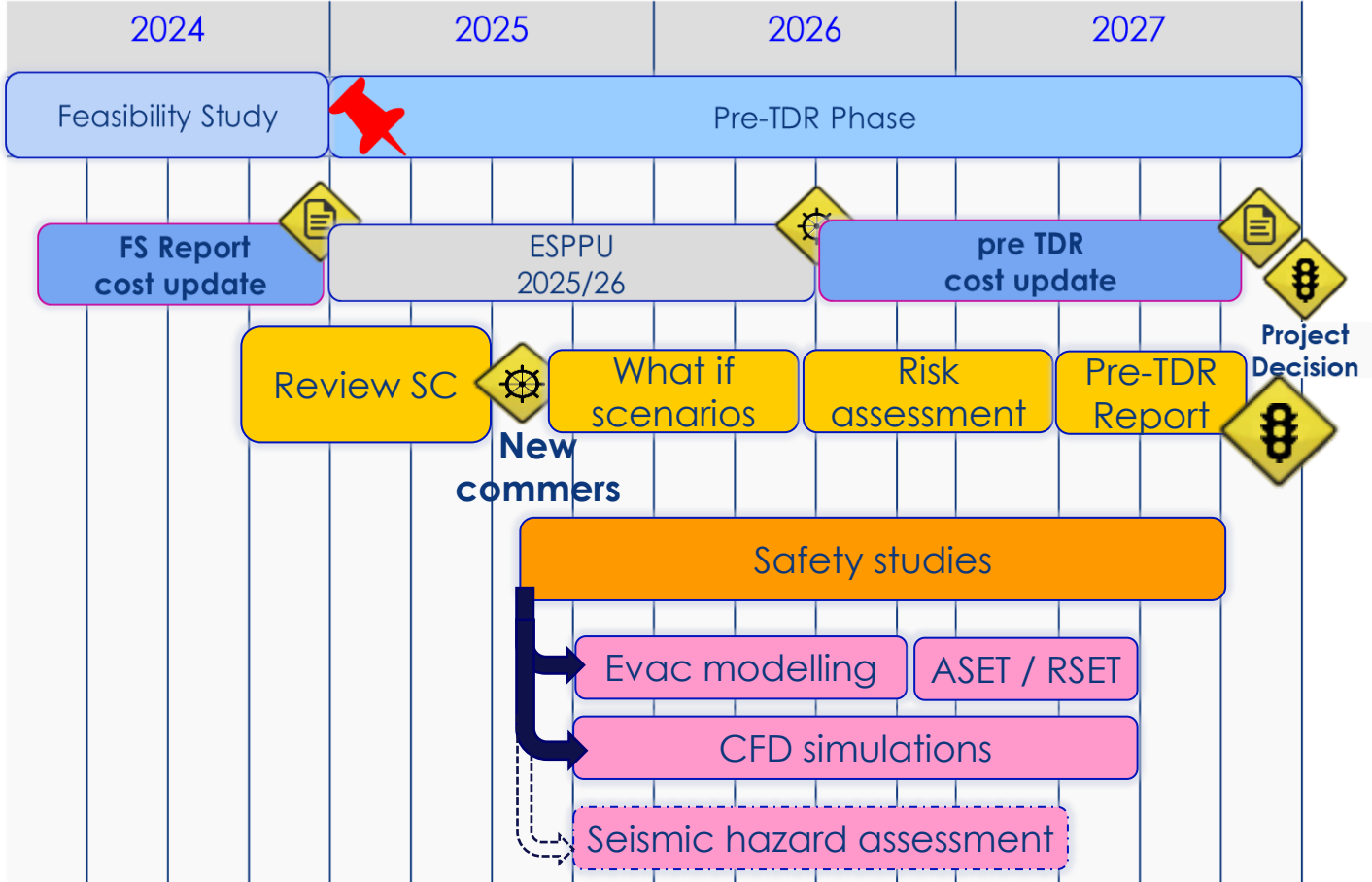
See "Advances in Derisking the FCC Tunnel Design", A. Moscarriello

# Safety WP – pre-TDR

- CFD studies
    - Mesh sensitivity analysis
    - Benchmarking
  
  - Cyber-physical security
  
  - Ergonomics
  
  - Safety Documentation
- Evacuation scenarios during construction / installation
  
  - Smoke Extraction in Caverns
  
  - PPE
  
  - ...



# pre-TDR Master Plan



Safety WP

# Conclusion

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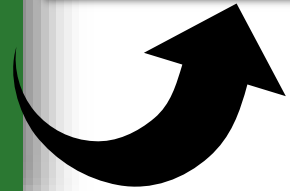
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**Confirmation +  
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plan**



**pre-TDR master plan**





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